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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN JOSE DIVISION

FREDERICK N. BURGNER,

Plaintiff,

Case No.: 5:07-cv-05160-HRL

-against-

UNION PACIFIC CORPORATION,

Defendant.

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE OF INITIAL
CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND ORDER**

1. Plaintiff submits this request for a continuance of the Initial Case Management Conference, currently scheduled for January 29, 2008.
2. This action was commenced by the filing of a *pro se* complaint on October 9, 2008. Plaintiff did not serve the complaint.

3. Thereafter, plaintiff retained counsel, who was admitted to practice in this Court *pro hac vice* on December 13, 2007. On December 14, 2007, counsel for plaintiff served upon defendant's agent for service of process Notice of Lawsuit and Request for Waiver of Service of Summons. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(1)(B), defendant's answer is due February 12, 2008, which is after the currently scheduled date for the Initial Case Management Conference. Plaintiff intends to serve an Amended Complaint on January 22, 2008, but this will not extend defendant's time to answer beyond the due date for the answer to the initial complaint. *See*, Fed. R. Civ. P. 15(a).
4. Counsel for plaintiff received Waiver of Service of Summons on behalf of defendant on January 14, 2008. On January 18, 2008, counsel for plaintiff telephoned defendant's prospective counsel for the purpose of discussing a stipulated continuance of the Initial Case Management Conference. Counsel for plaintiff was informed that defendant's prospective counsel was out of the office for the week and would not return until January 22, 2008. Because of the imminence of the date for the Initial Case Management Conference, and in view of the fact that a formal appearance on behalf of defendant has not yet been made, counsel for plaintiff has elected to proceed by written Request rather than wait for the return of defendant's prospective counsel.
5. In light of the unintentional delay by plaintiff in serving the Notice of Lawsuit and Request for Waiver of Service of Summons, it is respectfully requested that the Initial Case Management Conference be continued to a suitable date subsequent to the due date for defendant's answer, February 12, 2008.

Dated: Albany, New York
January 18, 2008

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Plaintiff's request for continuance is granted. The initial case management conference, originally set for January 29, 2008, is **continued to March 11, 2008, 1:30 p.m.** All deadlines in the "Order Setting Initial Case Management Conference and ADR Deadlines" are adjusted accordingly.

Plaintiff is directed to serve this order on all other parties to this action and file a proof of service with the court.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 22, 2008


Howard R. Lloyd
United States Magistrate Judge